

RECEIVED

AUG 14 1998

GROUP 1800

#51 XDS  
8-2798

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of  
Jeffrey A. Heroux, et al

Serial No. 09/023,483

Filed: February 13, 1998

For: ASSAY METHODS FOR NUCLEIC  
ACID IN A SAMPLE



Atty. Ref: 2528-2

Group: ~~1643~~

Examiner: 1634

\*\*\*\*\*

August 13, 1998

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

As suggested by 37 CFR 1.97, Applicants undersigned attorney would like to direct the Examiner's attention to the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449, a copy of each reference being enclosed herewith. This Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that no other information as defined in 1.56(a) exists, or that a reference is relevant merely because cited herein.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider and make of record the above mentioned references during the prosecution of the subject application. Accordingly, an early and favorable reply is awaited.

Jeffrey A. Heroux, et  
Serial No. 09/023,483

Respectfully submitted,  
NIXON & VANDERHYTE P.C.

By: 

Thomas E. Byrne

Reg. No. 32,205

PO#  
30251

1100 North Glebe Road, 8th Floor  
Arlington, Virginia 22201-4714  
(703) 816-4000